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In re application of:

Buhl *et al.*

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

For: DRIED CHEMICAL
COMPOSITIONS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the subject application, filed concurrently herewith, as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following new claims 29-32.

1 29. A container holding a dried chemical composition ^{which dissolves} ~~capable of dissolving~~ in
2 less than about 10 seconds in ^{water} ~~solution~~, wherein said dried chemical composition comprises a
3 preselected precisely measured aliquot of said dried chemical composition.

4 30. The container of claim 29, which is a cuvette in a centrifugal rotor.

5 31. The container claim 29, wherein the ~~dried chemical~~ composition has a
6 diameter between about 1.5 mm and 3.5 mm.